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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Amended)

A composite wrap material for [use in] wrapping reams of paper, the wrap material [comprising] consisting essentially of:

a first layer [composed] of paper having a basis weight of about 20-60 lbs/3,000 sq. ft;

a second layer [composed] of a [an extruded] solid polymer film material, [having a water vapor transmission rate measured at 90 percent humidity, 100 degrees Fahrenheit, g/100 in²/24 hours of less than 0.5] said polymer film being solid during lamination to said paper; and

an adhesive layer between the first and second layers [wherein the first and second layers are integrally bonded together by the adhesive layer continuously, such that there are about less than three air pockets in ten square feet of the wrap material, and wherein the wrap material has a characteristic of paper in that it can retain a crease].